



# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN BUSINESS OWNERS

*Inland Empire*

**AWARD NOMINATIONS**

***A response is required by February 15, 2012.***

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We are pleased to announce that NAWBO-IE's Annual *Amazing Women of the Inland Empire Awards Banquet* will be held on Thursday, April 19, 2012 at the Eagle Glen Golf Club in Corona, California. This year, the event will be even more than a fundraiser and a chance to recognize excellence in the community—it will be a celebration of the NAWBO Inland Empire Chapter's 14-Year Anniversary!

This event is a wonderful opportunity to network and advertise your business, connect with influential decision-makers and corporate sponsors, learn from incredibly successful business owners, and enjoy a meaningful night out with friends and family. Beyond that, it is our opportunity to recognize the outstanding achievements of women in the Inland Empire's business community.

Every year, we honor five women from the Inland Empire with one of these Amazing Women awards:

❖ **Business Woman of the Year**

This is a woman who has demonstrated creative initiative in her business – to grow the business, to create jobs for others, to overcome obstacles, and to help her community. She is a woman who demonstrates balance and focus, in her business and in her sphere of influence and excels in numerous areas of business. This woman is a true role model.

❖ **Legacy**

This is a woman who has achieved a truly amazing goal and because of that is leaving behind an incredible legacy. She has held onto a vision which has turned into an entity so powerful that it will impact her community for years to come. This prestigious award honors her visionary, innovative, and creative spirit!

❖ **Trailblazer**

This woman has blazed a trail – one which others can follow and use to create their own success. She has contributed to the growth and triumphs of women business owners by maintaining her vision and demonstrating unwavering strength and innovation.

❖ **Community Builder**

This woman is by definition a Bridge-Builder. She is deeply committed to her community and demonstrates an amazing passion for her particular cause. She has successfully pulled together resources in the face of constant challenges to make her vision of bringing people, business, and community together a reality.

❖ **Rising Star**

This woman has been in business three years or less and has demonstrated a clear and profitable track record of success. She is not only committed to her business and the success of her employees but she is also committed to the success of her community. She demonstrates commitment and achievement in spite of the daunting task of starting a new business.

NAWBO-IE has developed some incredible affiliate relationships with like-minded business organizations in the Inland Empire who have Amazing Women within their organization and within their sphere of influence. This year we are inviting our affiliates to nominate an Amazing Woman within their organization and recognize her during the NAWBO Amazing Women event. Our affiliates include:

- Inland Empire Asian Business Association (IEABA)
- Hispanic Business Alliance (HBA)
- Commercial Real Estate Women – Inland Empire (CREW-IE)
- Inland Empire Women’s Business Center (IEWBC)
- Inland Empire Small Business Development Center (IESBDC).

If you would like to nominate someone for one of these awards, please fill out the attached form and submit it to President Hilda Kennedy by **Friday, February 10, 2012**.

If you would like to submit several nominations, please feel free to copy this form and do so.

The Amazing Women Event committee of NAWBO-IE, which consists of board members of the 2011-2012 Board of Directors, will recommend to the top three candidates in each category. Final selection of the winners will be made by NAWBO-IE Corporate and Community Partners based on the criteria established in this form.

**The deadline for submission of your nomination form is **Wednesday, February 15, 2012.****

Sincerely,  
The AWE Committee

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Amazing Women Awards Dinner  
Thursday, April 19, 2012  
Hosted by the Inland Empire Chapter of  
The National Association of Women Business Owners

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Deadline for Submissions: February 15, 2012

**Who are you nominating?** \_\_\_\_\_

**For which award are you nominating her?** \_\_\_\_\_

**How has she demonstrated the characteristics required to receive such an award? Why do you believe she deserves this award?**

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**What do you believe sets her apart from the other nominees?**

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**Nominee's Contact Information:**

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Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Contact Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

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***Please submit this form and a brief 125-word (or less) bio and headshot (in JPG format) of your nominee by email to President, Hilda Kennedy at [hkennedy@ampac.com](mailto:hkennedy@ampac.com) no later than February 15, 2012.***